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LONG AGO, IN A
LITTLE TOWN, THERE
WAS A PUPPET MAKER
CALLED GEPPETTO.



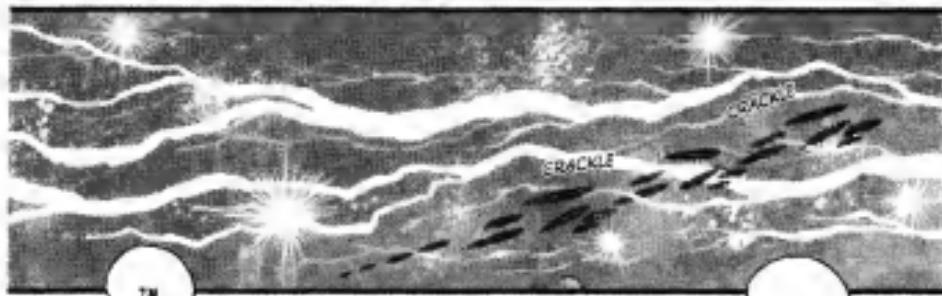
HE MADE
A MARIONETTE
AND NAMED IT
PINOCCHIO.





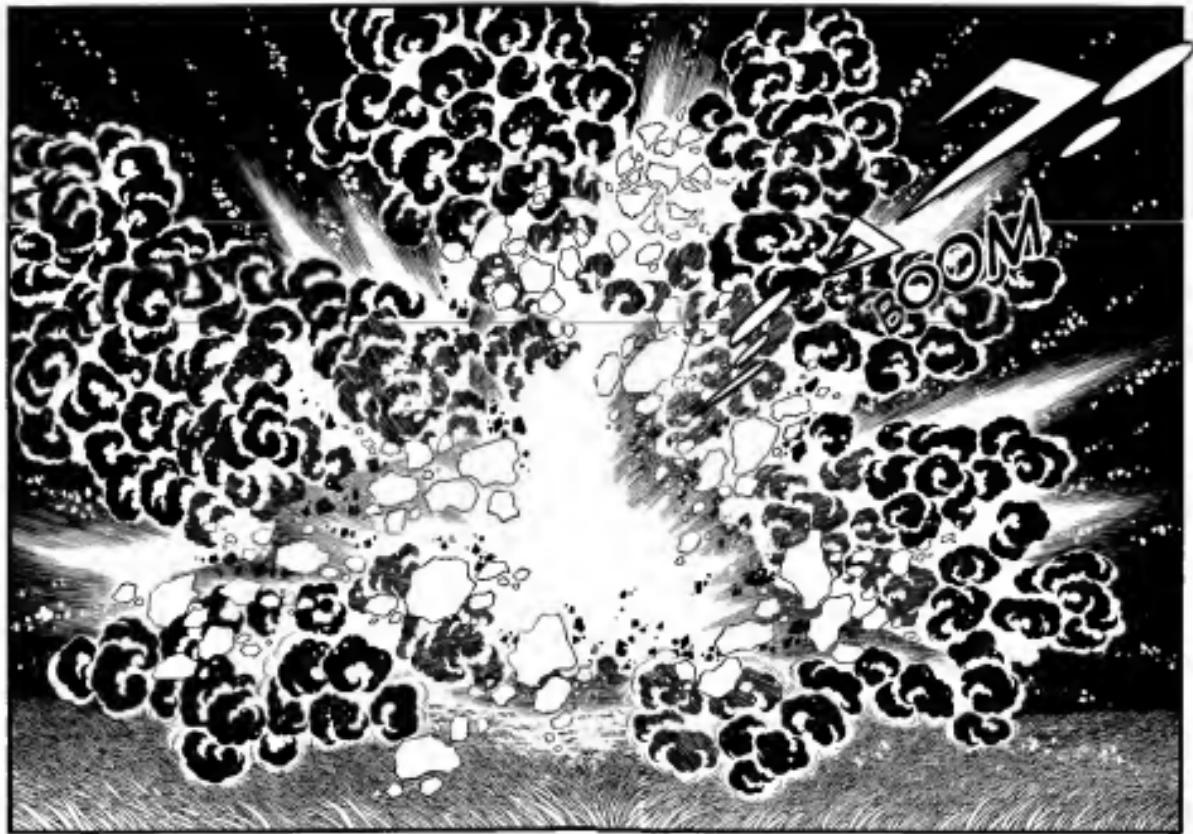








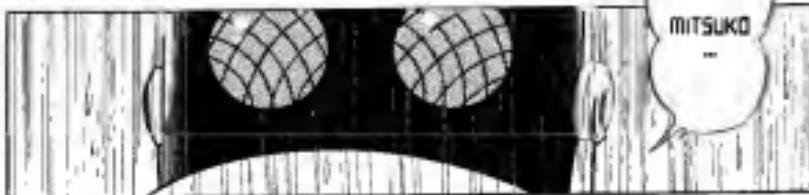
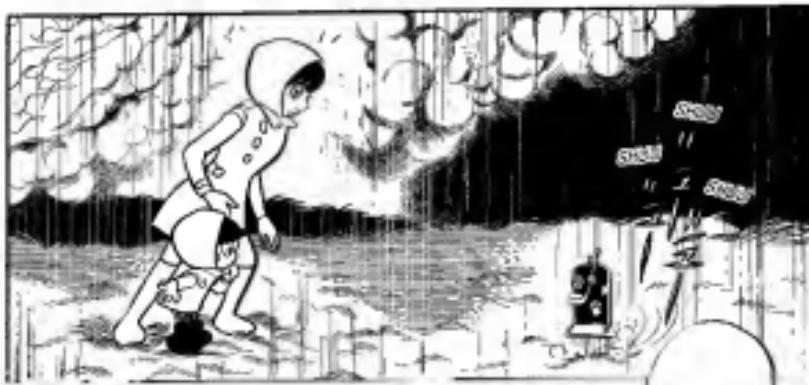
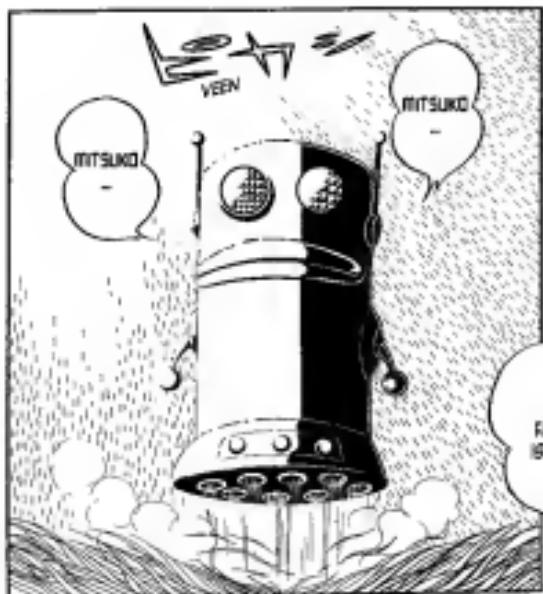
















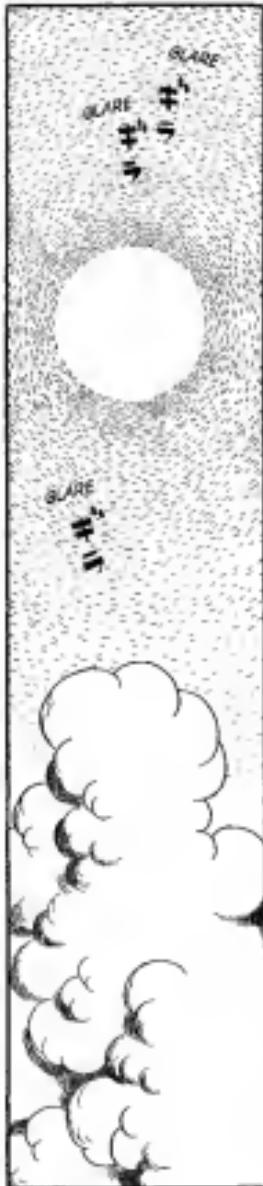




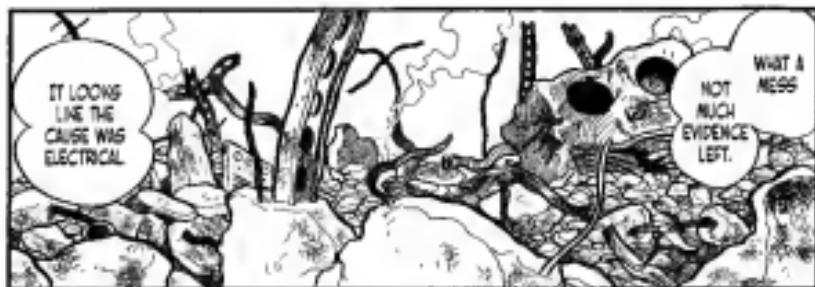














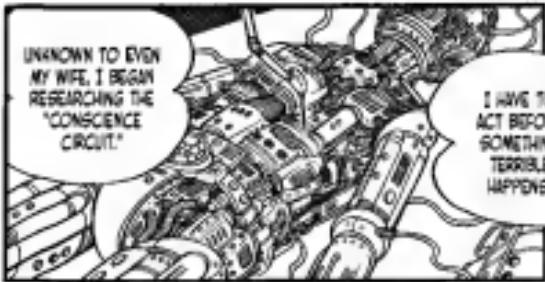












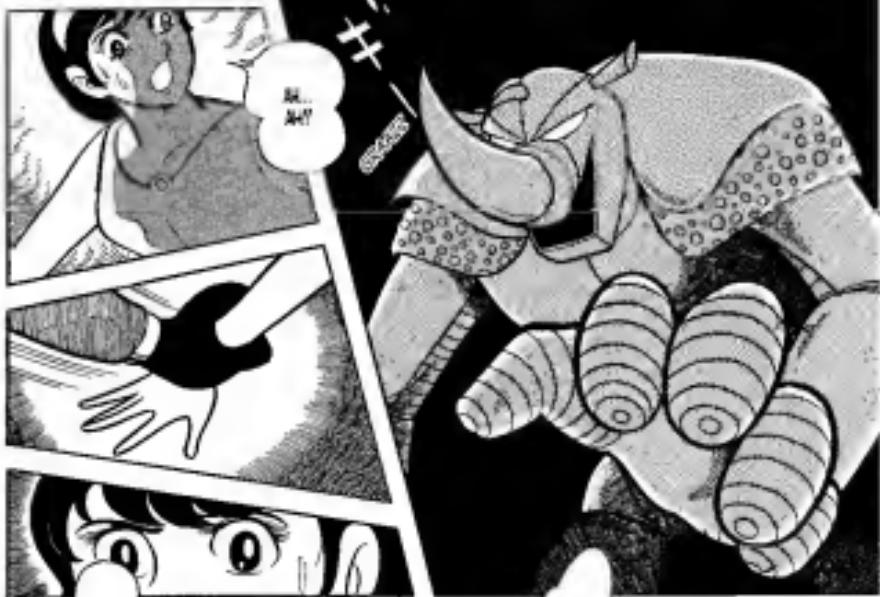












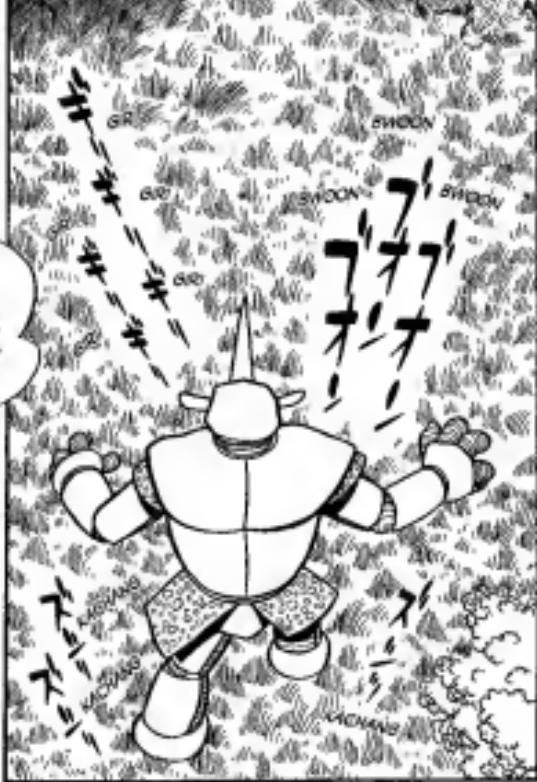
























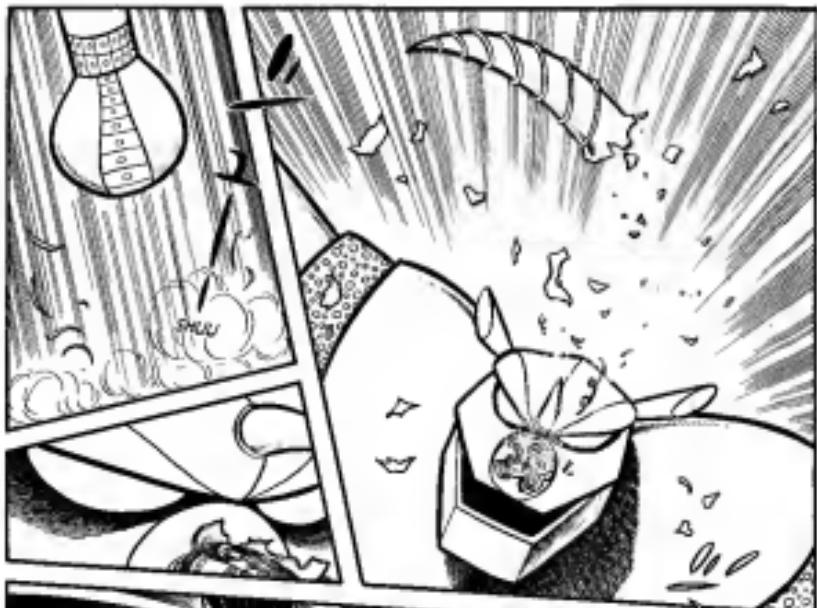








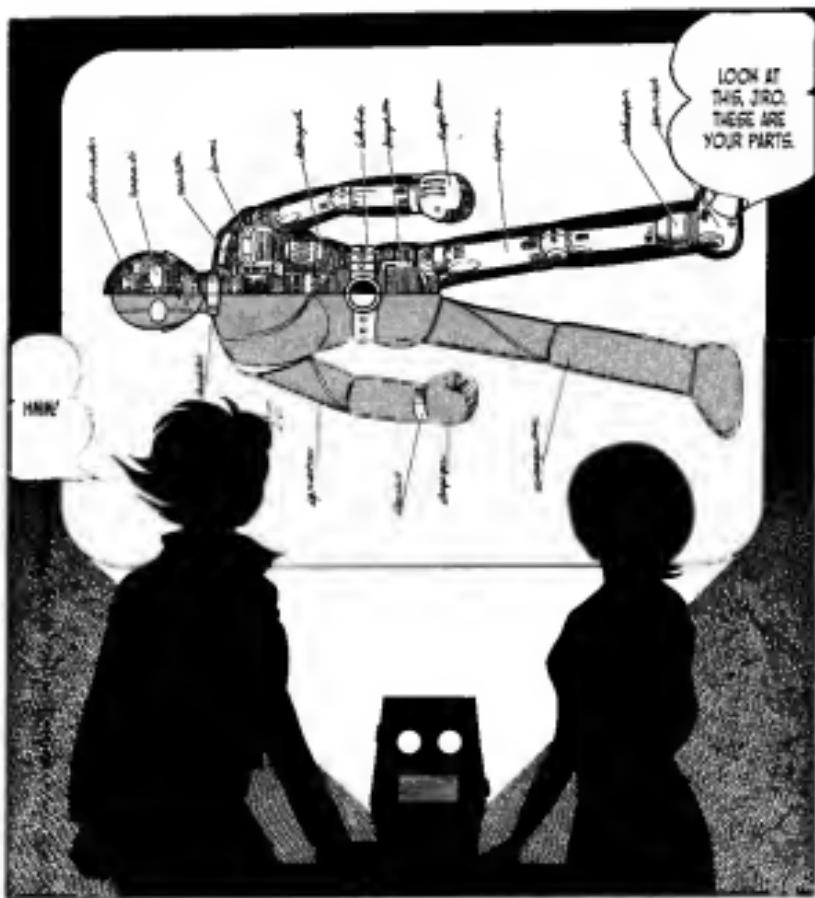














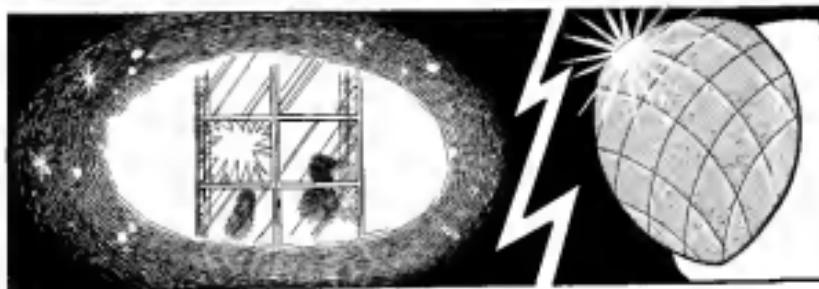
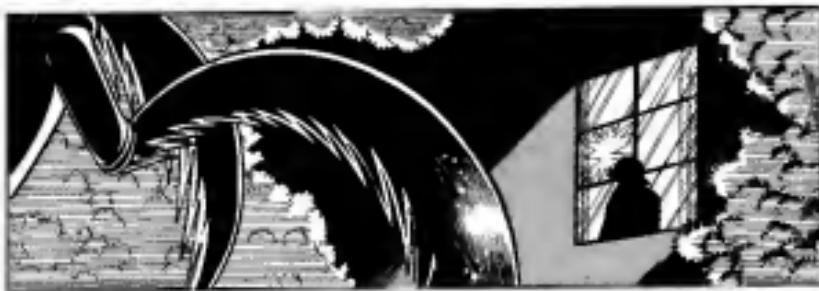
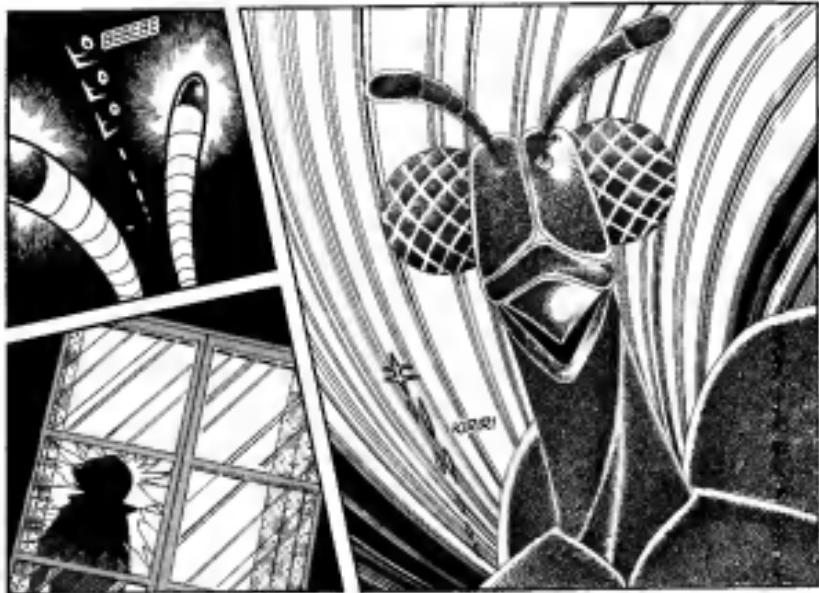








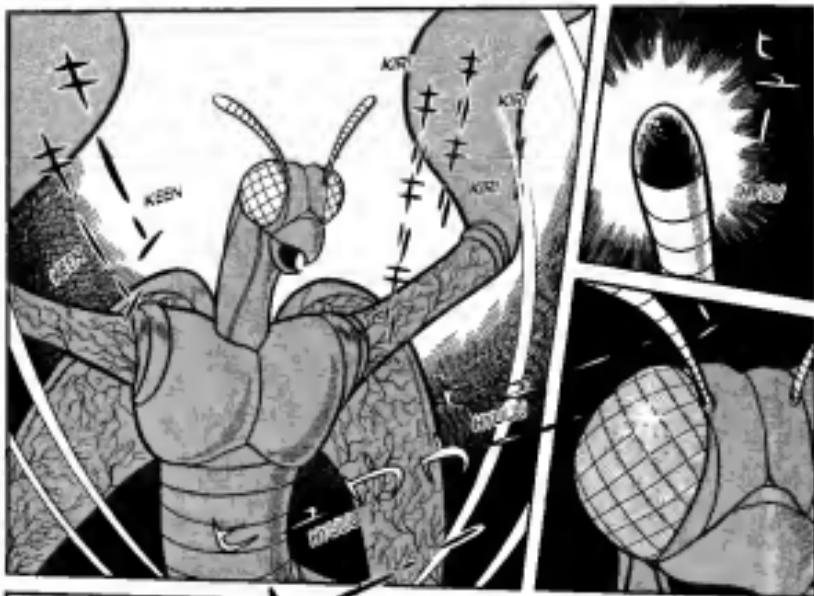
















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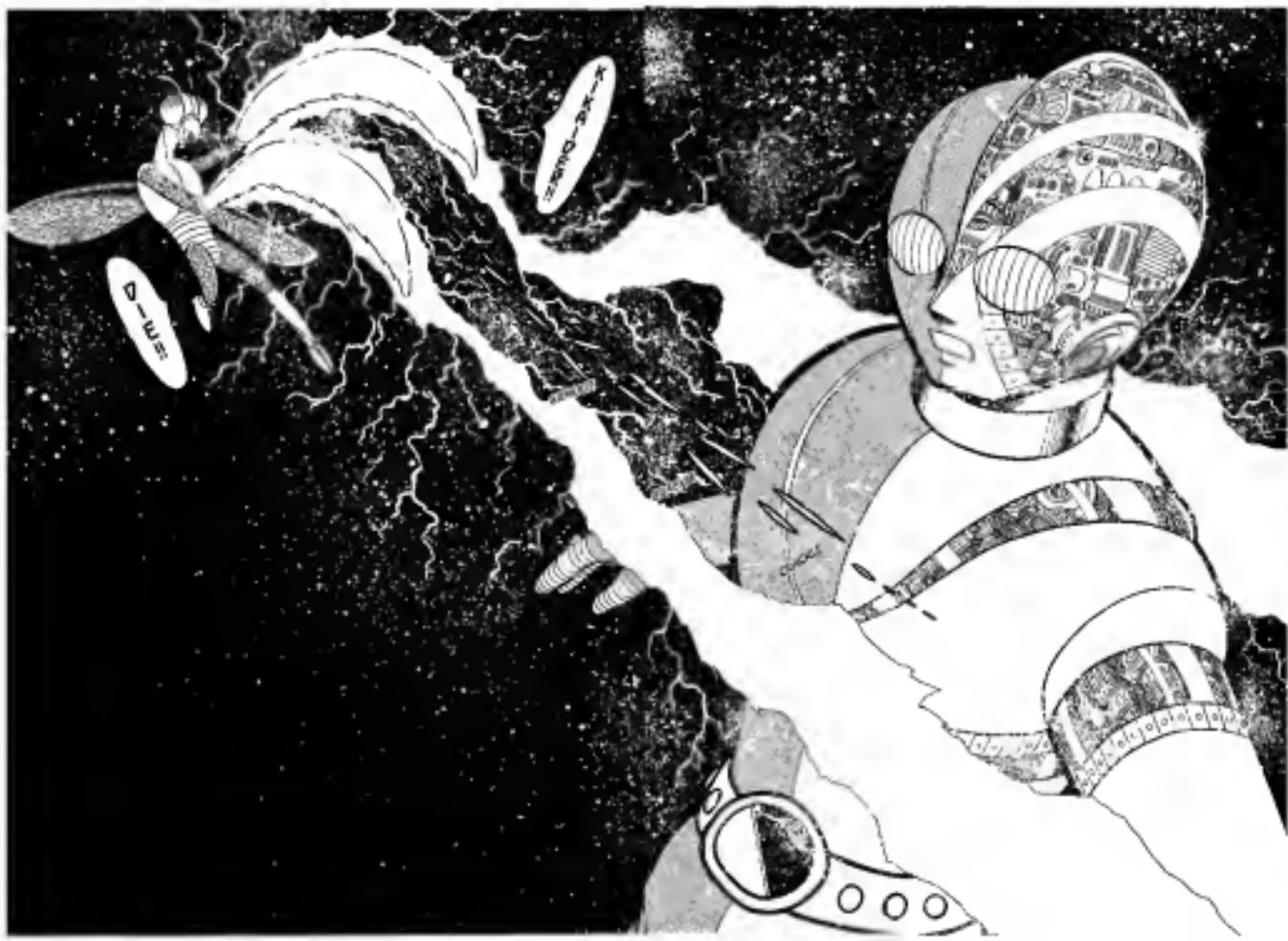
I'M JUST
LIKE YOU...
I KNOW!

I TRANSFORM

I'M A
MACHINE!









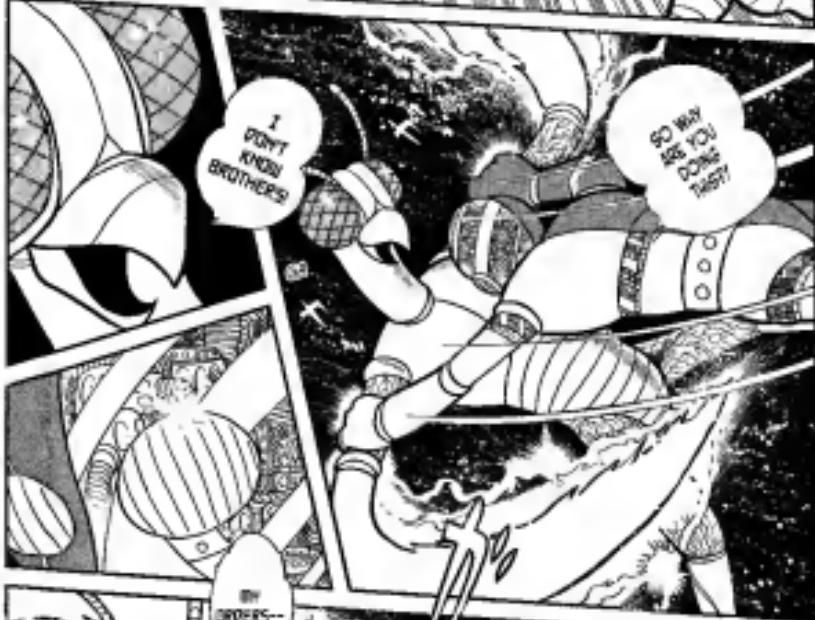






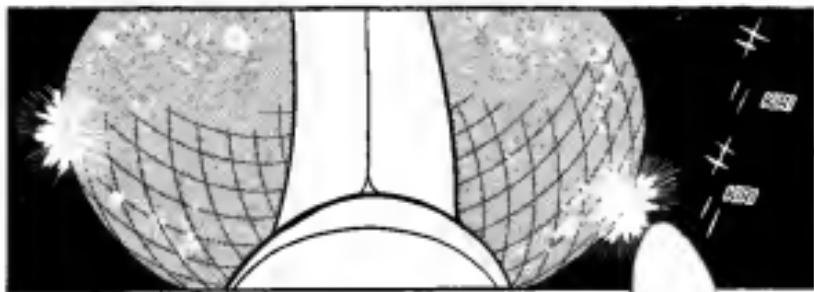








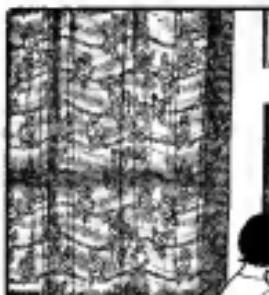












I'LL HAVE TO
DESTROY HIM...
LIKE FATHER SAID.

BUT
CAN I
DO IT?
IF IT
ISN'T
FINED...

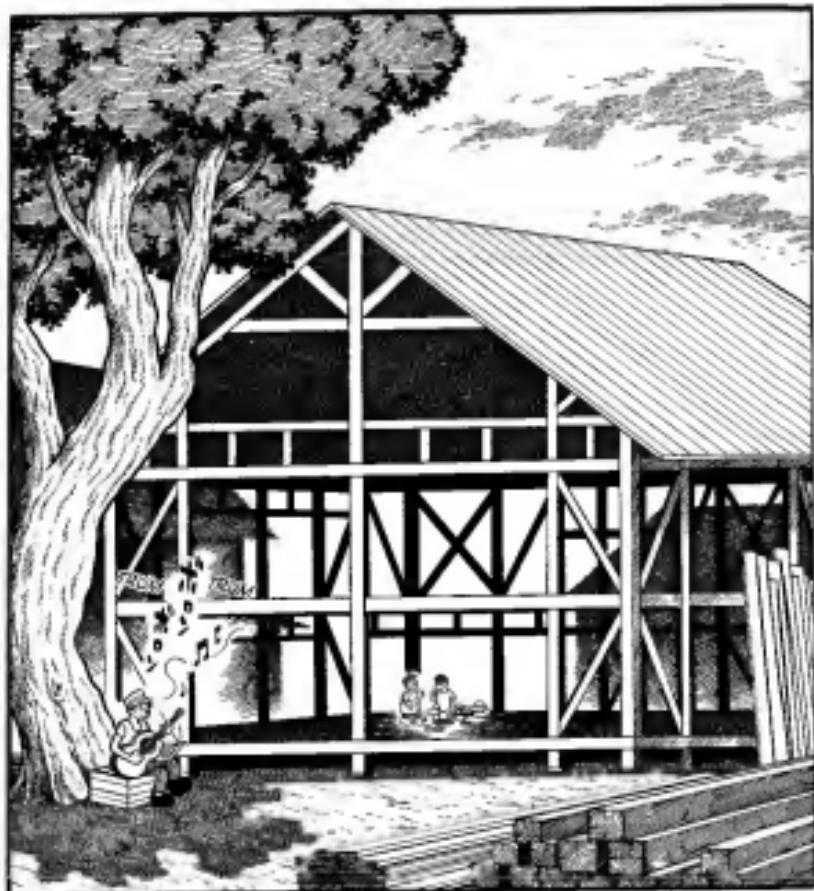
IF I DON'T
DESTROY HIM
MYSELF, HE MIGHT
TURN EVIL!

DID SHE SAY
DESTROY?

MITSUO
WANTS TO
DESTROY ME
TOO?









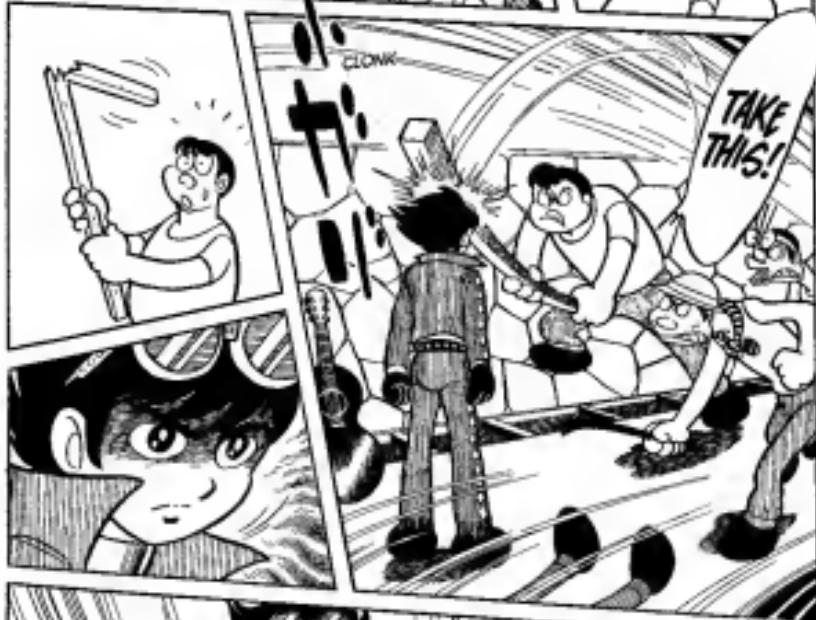




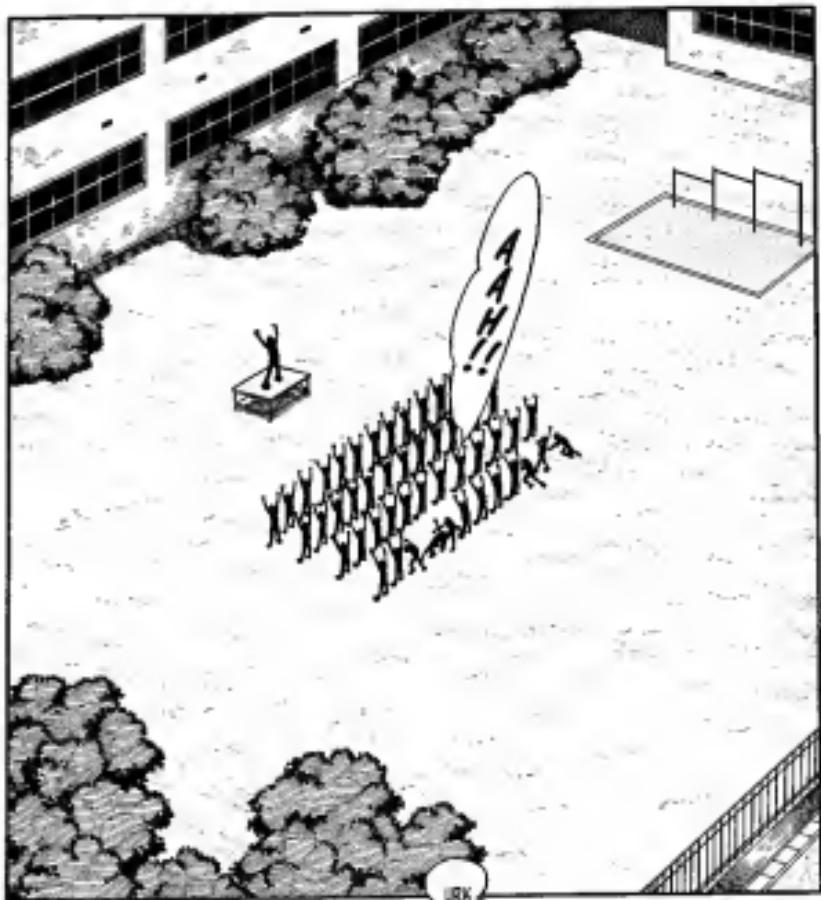




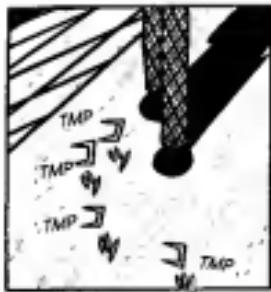












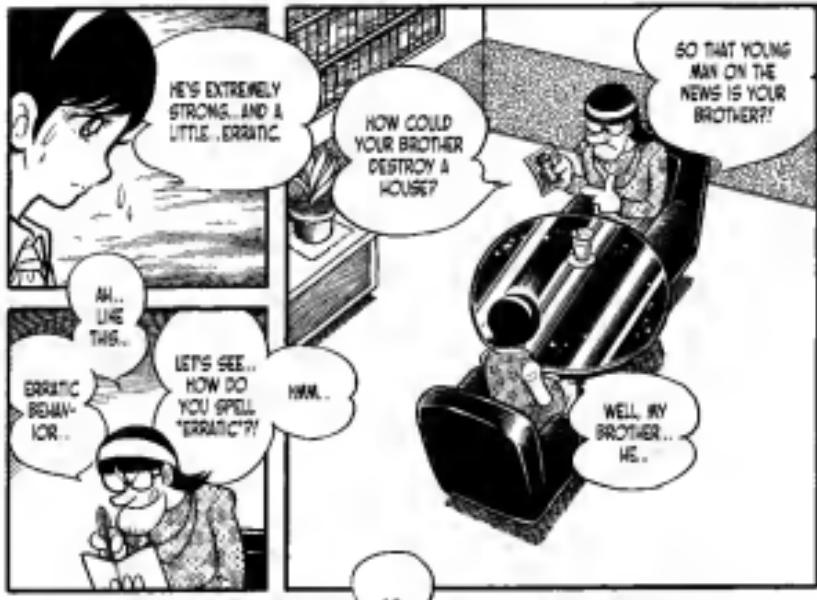




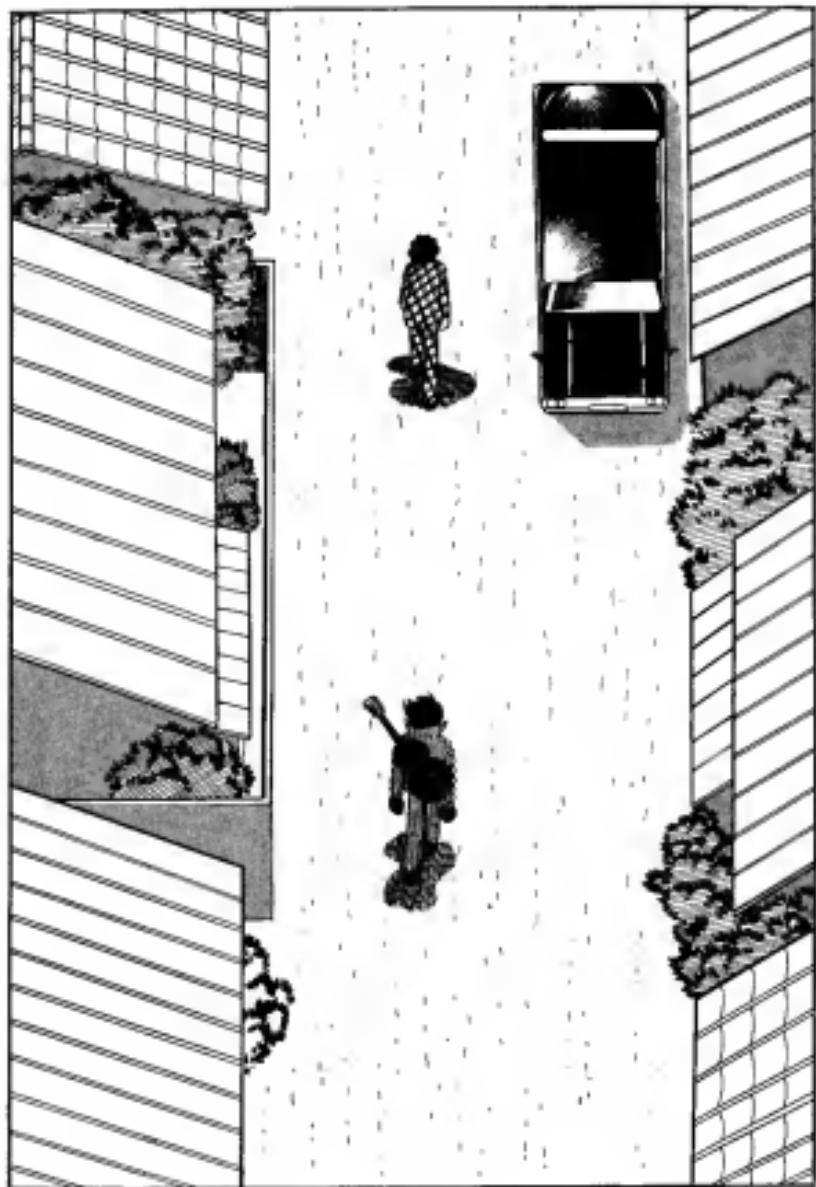




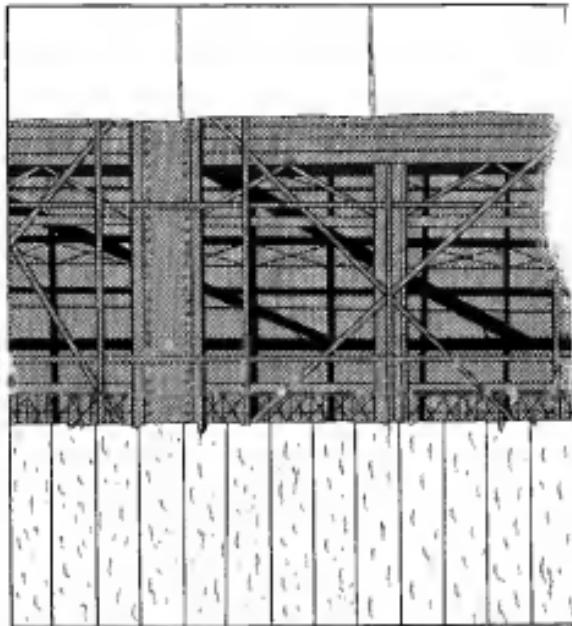








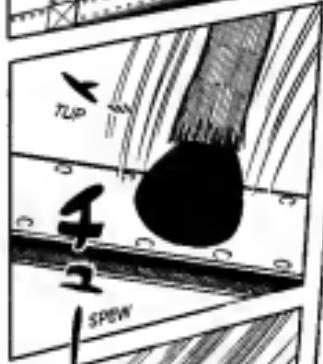




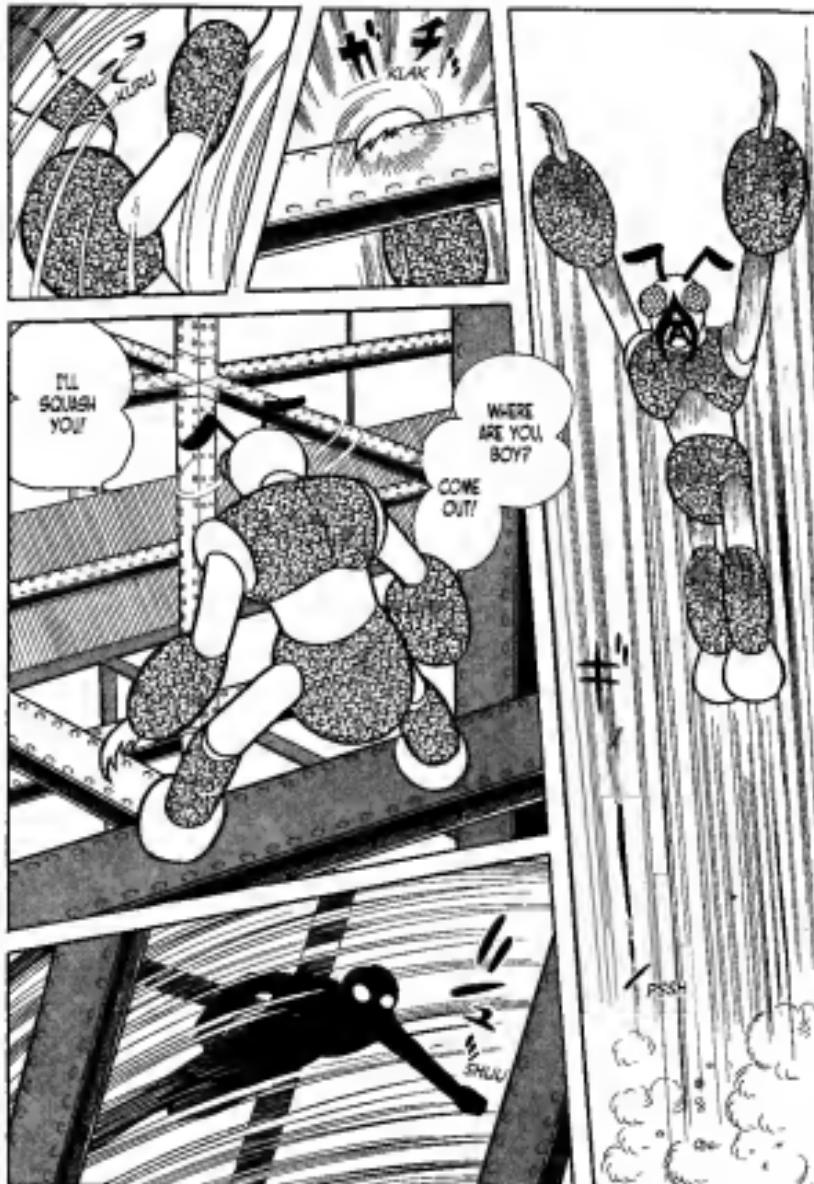




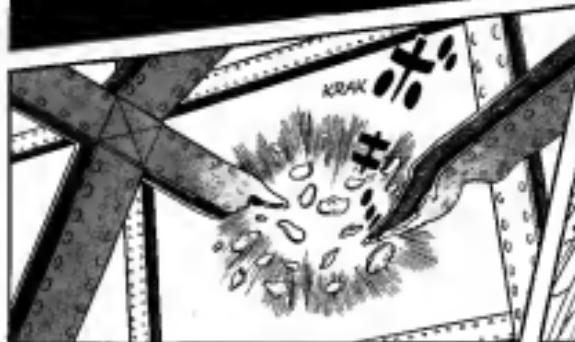






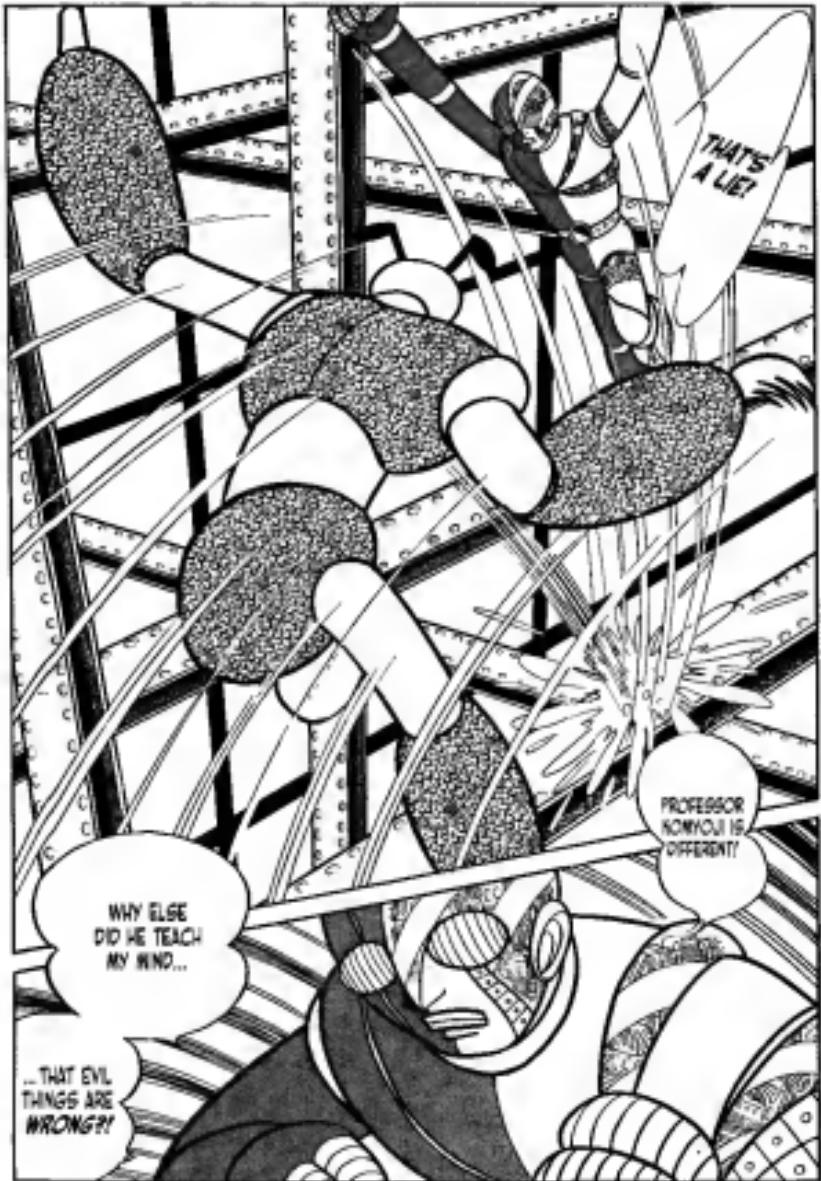




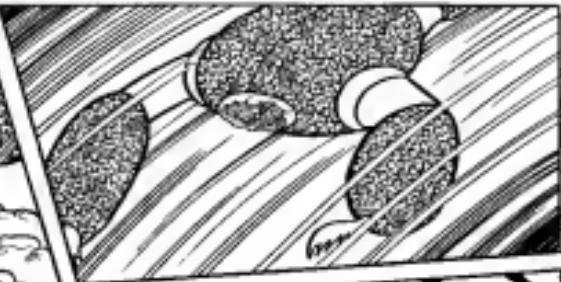


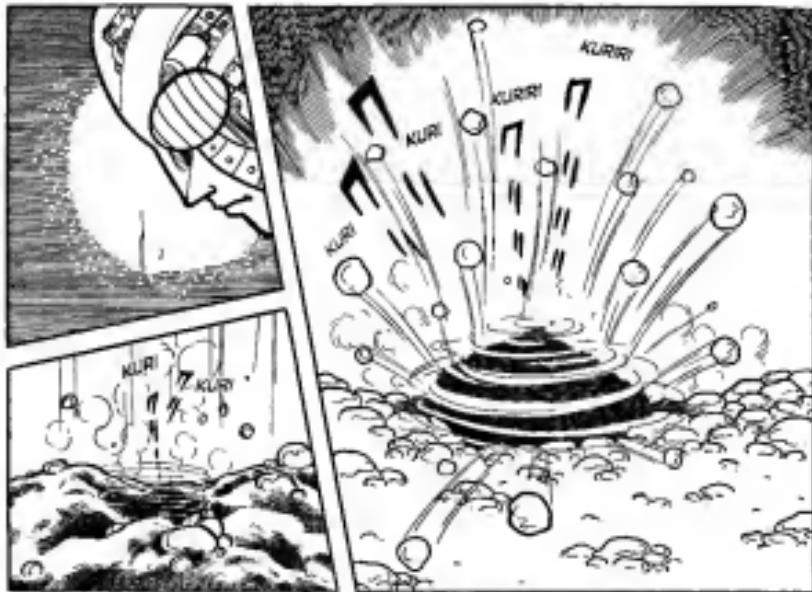


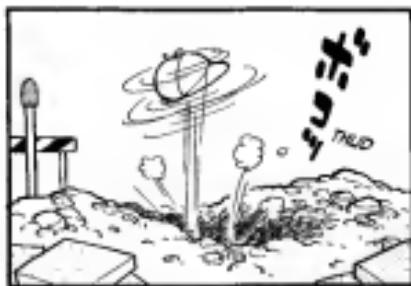










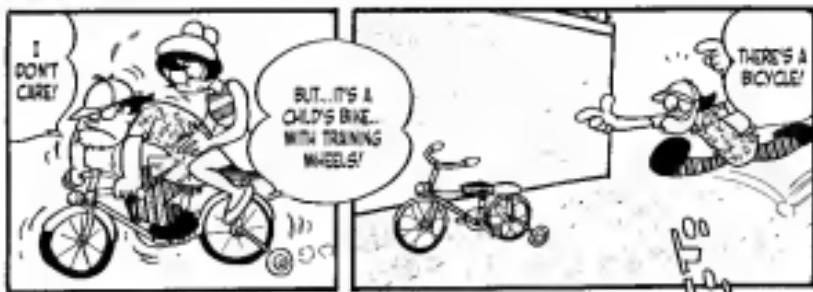




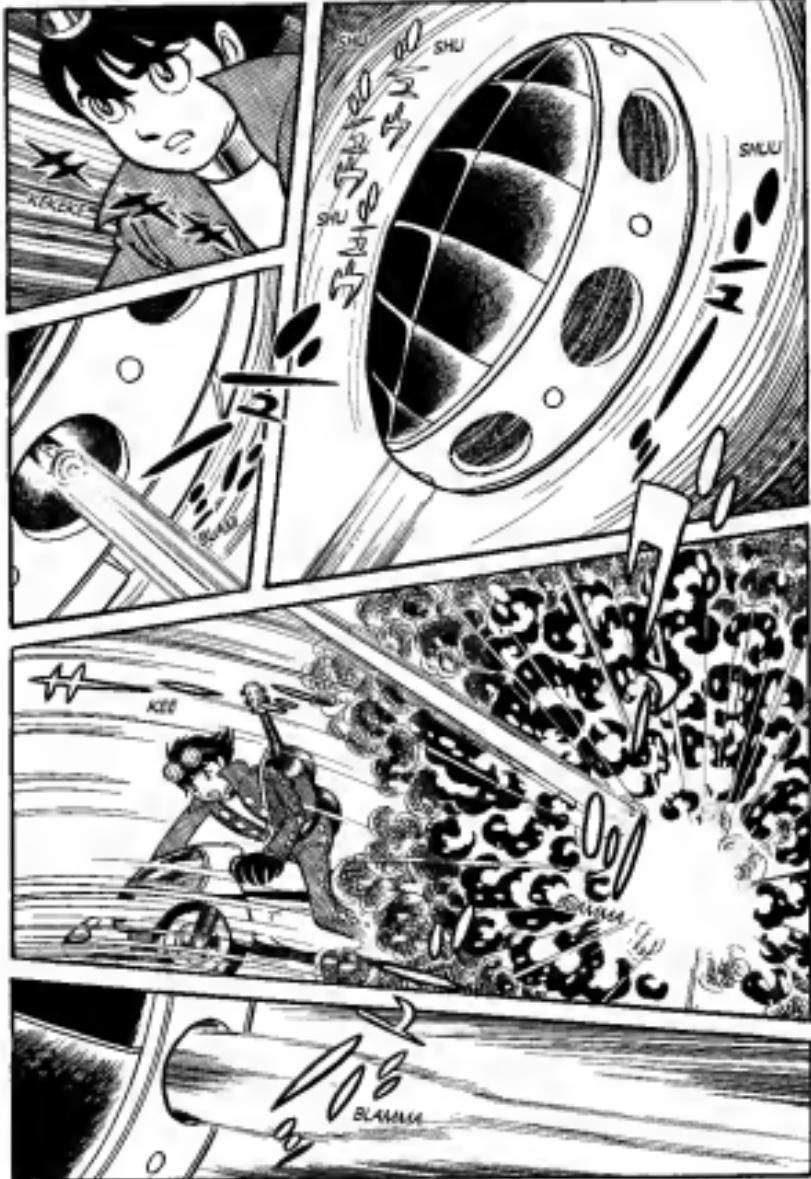






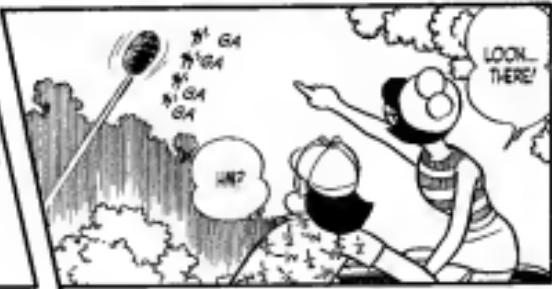
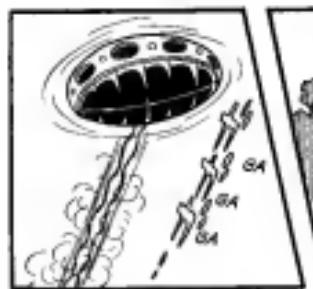


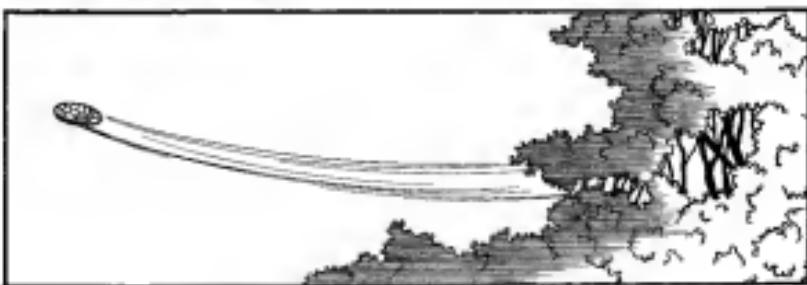


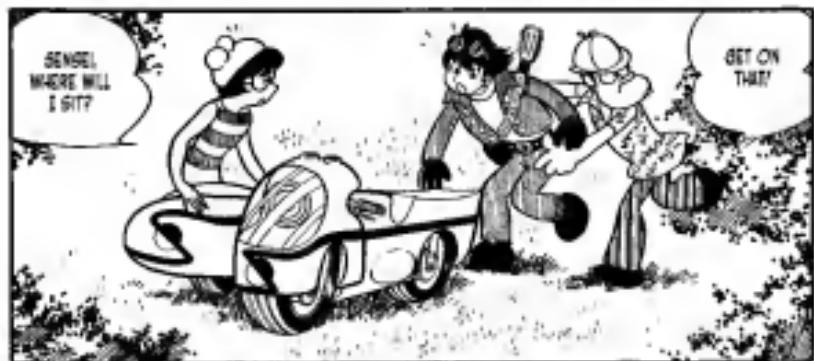










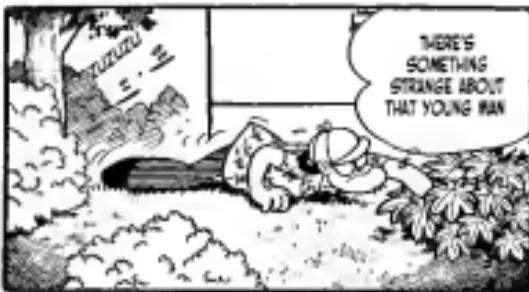






THANK
YOU!









SO... IF SOMEHOW THAT CONSCIENCE WERE BROKEN... YOU'D BECOME NOTHING MORE THAN A MECHANICAL PUPPET THAT WOULD ONLY FOLLOW ORDERS, NO MATTER HOW EVIL.

THAT'S WHY SOMETIMES YOU LOSE TO THE TEMPTATION OF EVIL.

HOWEVER THAT CONSCIENCE IS INCOMPLETE



BUT... HOW?

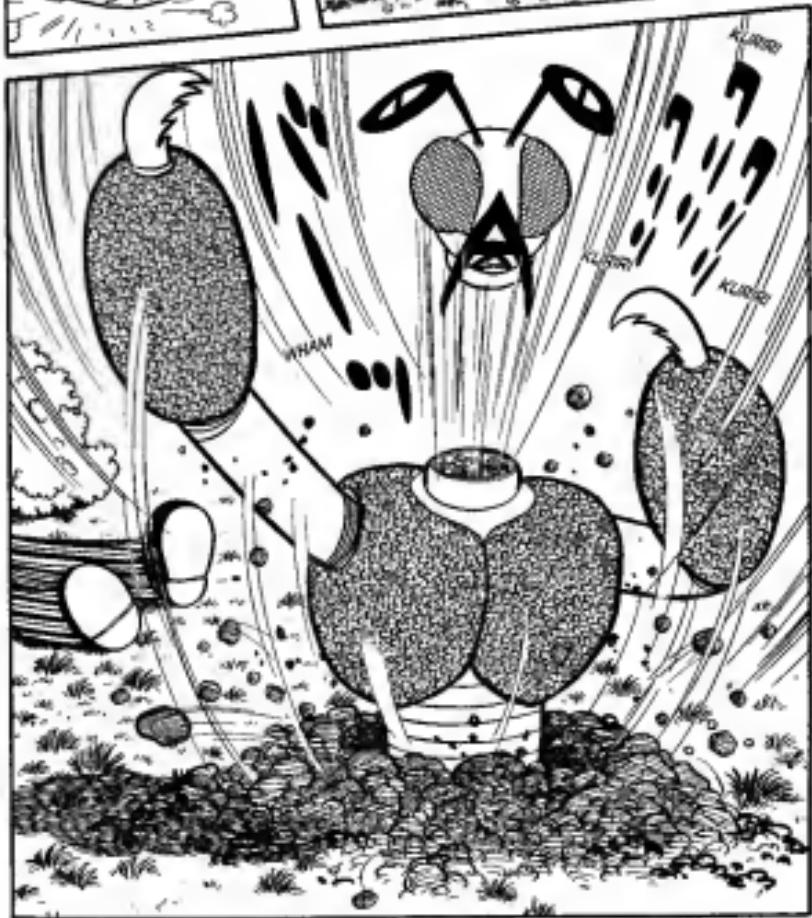
THAT'S WHY WE HAVE TO REPAIR YOU AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

THERE'S A SERIOUS CHANCE THAT THIS WILL ACTUALLY HAPPEN.



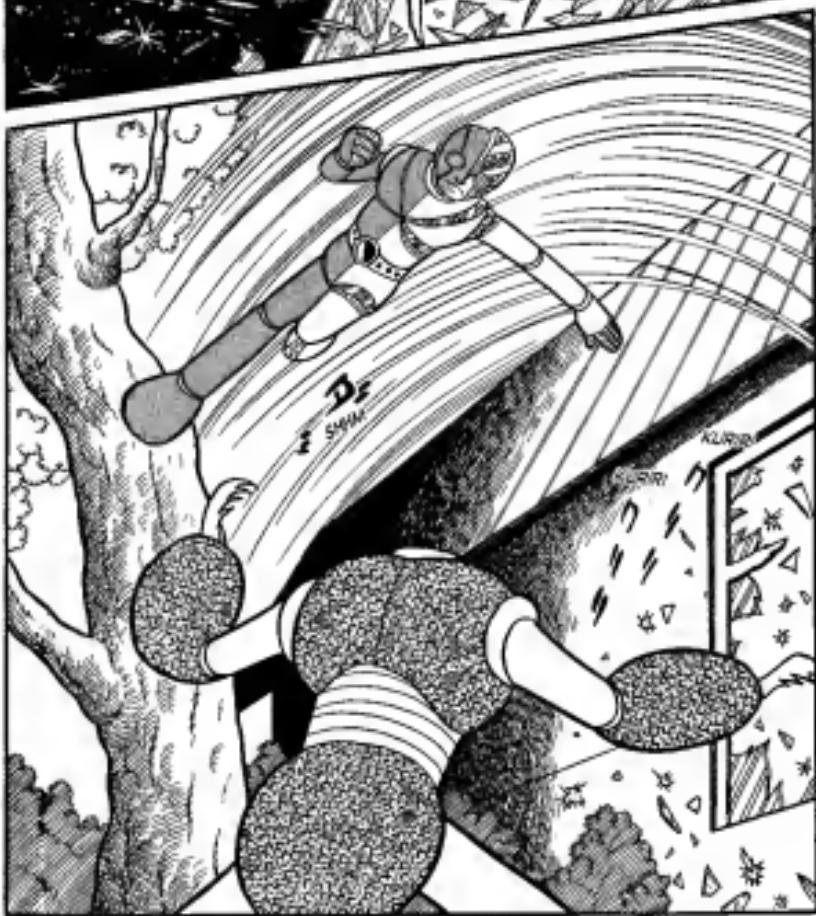


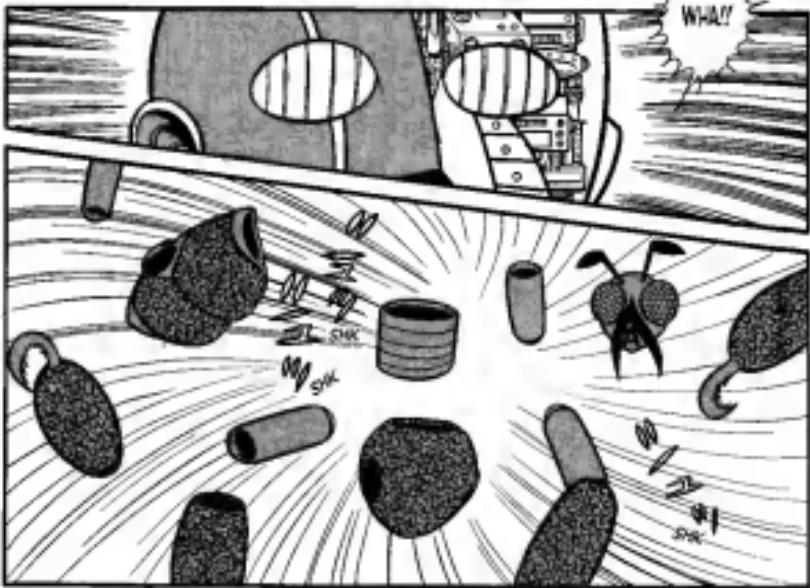
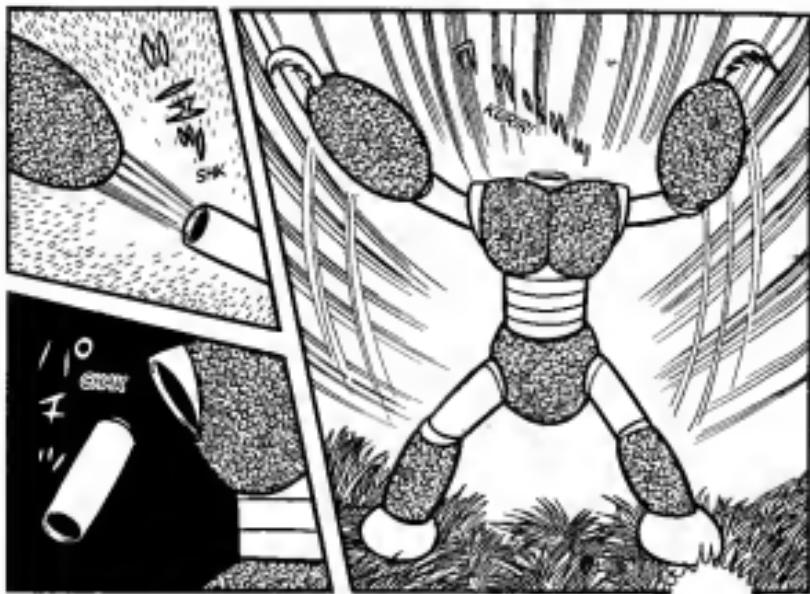


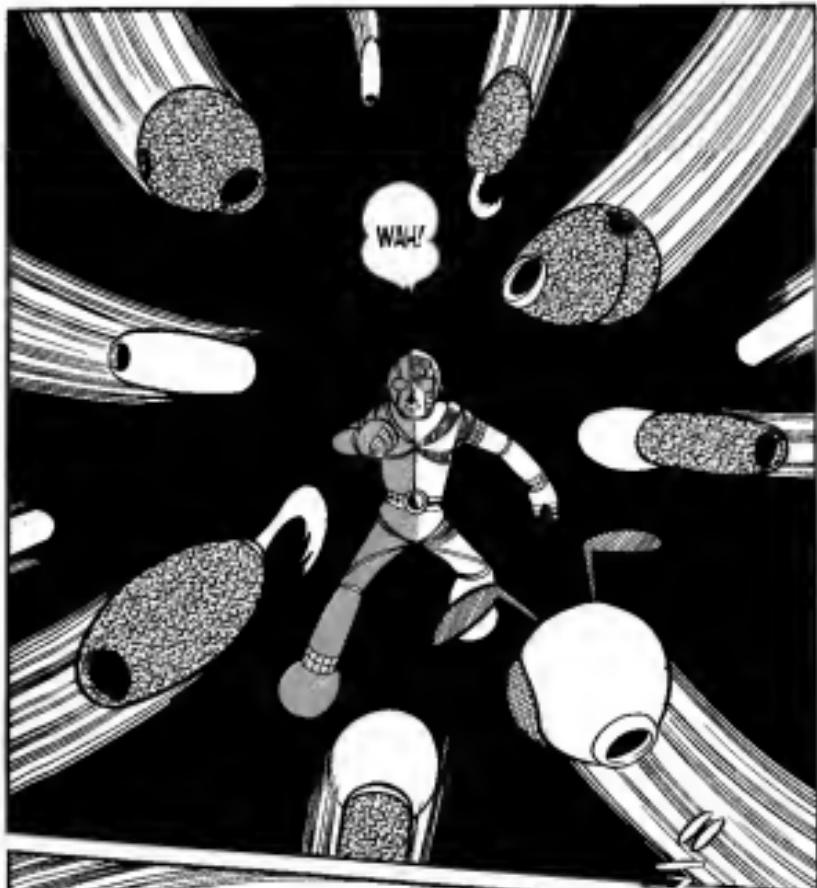


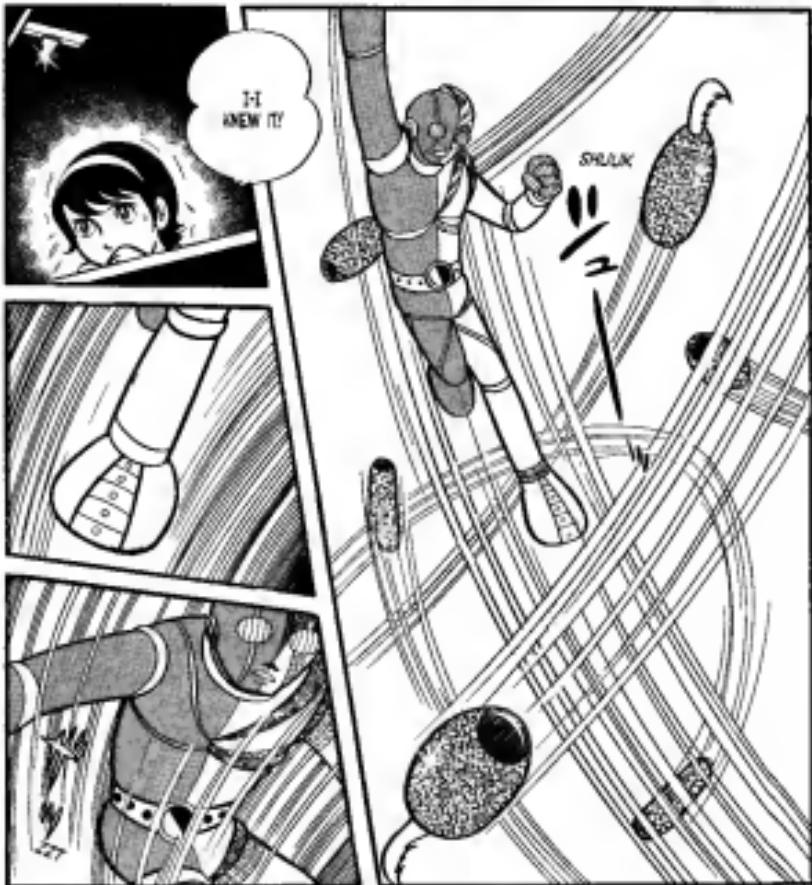
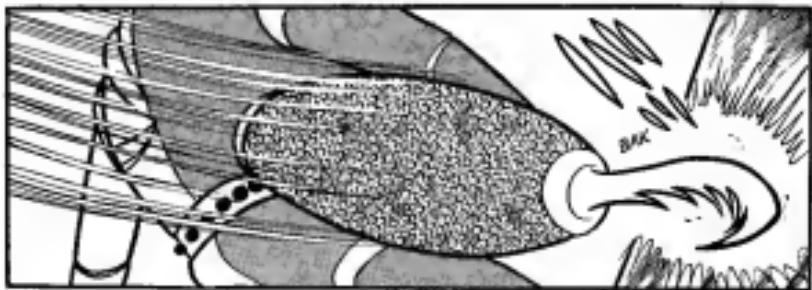














EVERY TIME JRO
GOES CRAZY, ONE OF
THOSE ROBOTS ALWAYS
SHOWS UP!





THAT MUST
BE WHIT'S
CONTROLLING
JIRO'S MIND!

IT'S PROBABLY
A MELODY IN AN
ULTRA-HIGH FREQUENCY
THAT HUMAN EARS
CAN'T HEAR

THE SOUND
OF DOCTOR
GILL'S FLUTE
CONTROLS THE
ROBOTS.

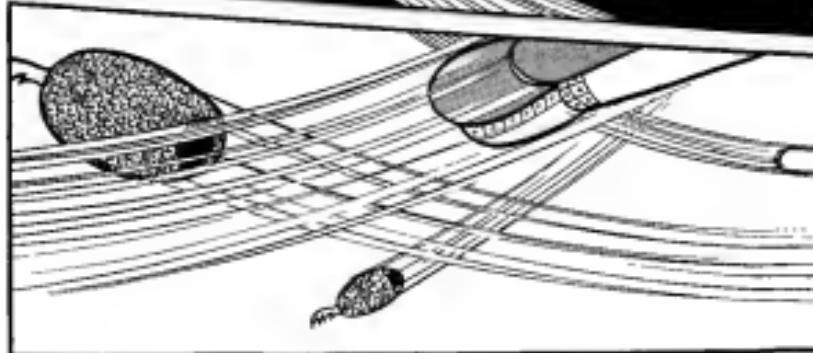
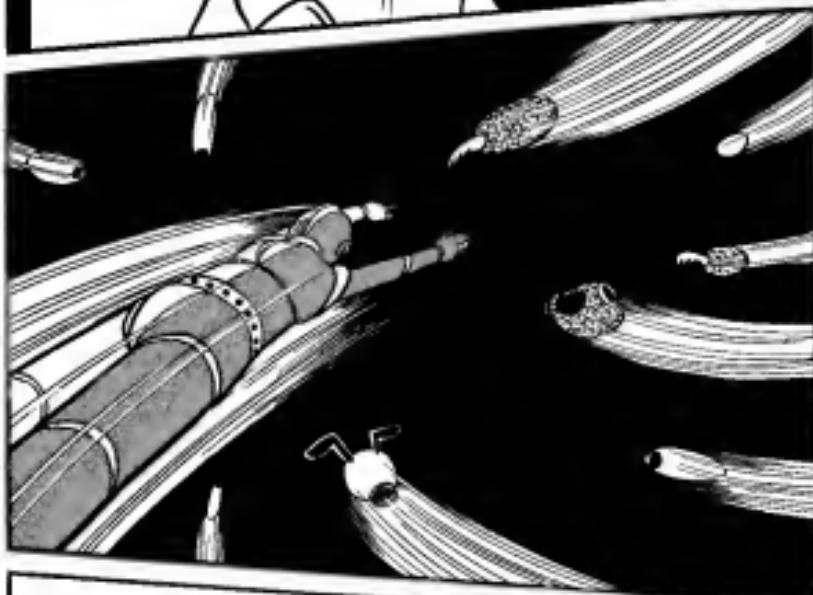


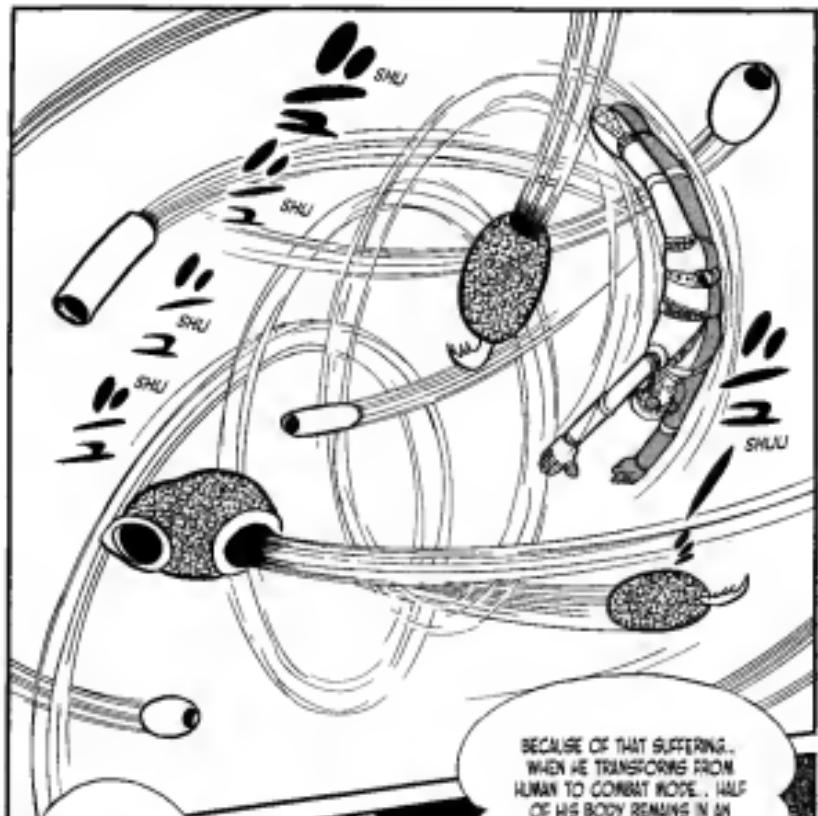




BECAUSE HE'S
EQUIPPED WITH
THAT JINNY CIRCUIT
LIKE AN IMPERFECT
HUMAN HEART...

POOR
JIRO!

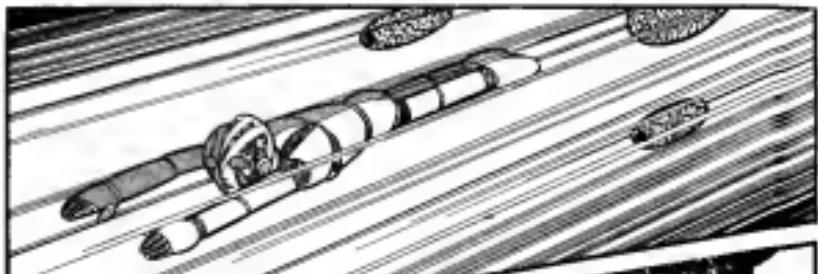


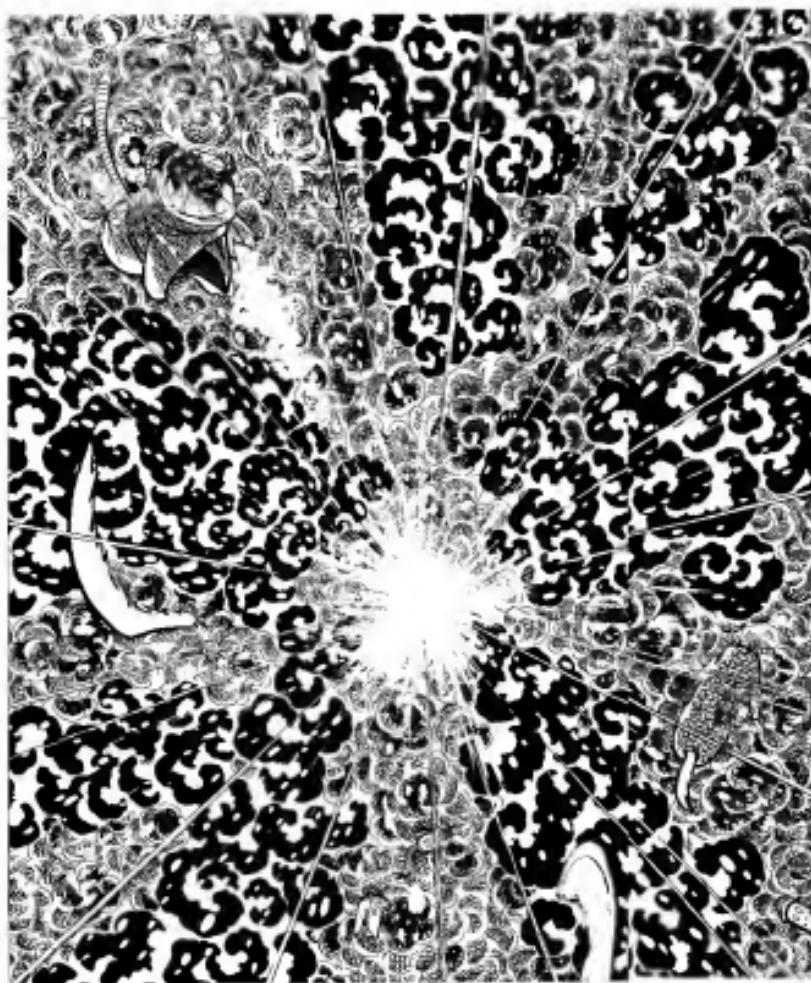


IT'S ONLY
A HALF
CHANGE...

BECAUSE OF THAT SUFFERING...
WHEN HE TRANSFORMS FROM
HUMAN TO COMBAT MODE, HALF
OF HIS BODY REMAINS IN AN
INCOMPLETE FORM!

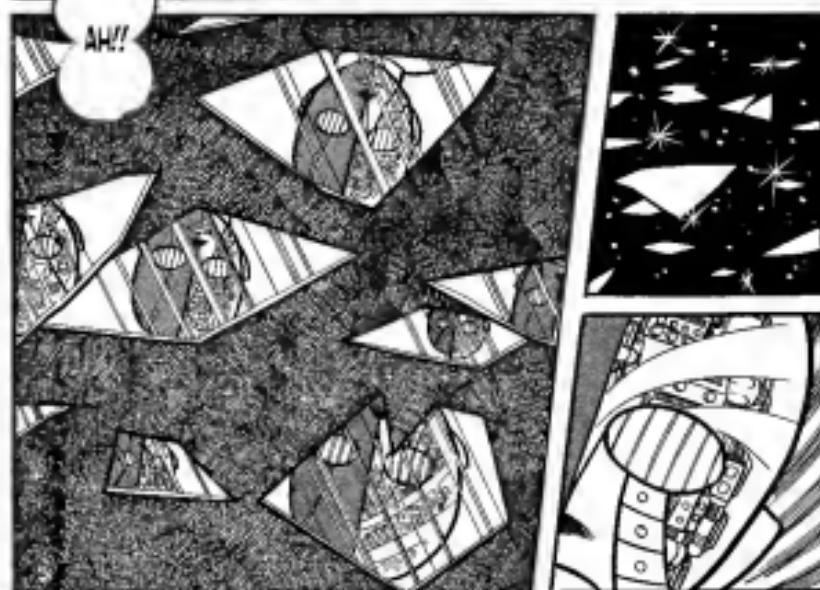


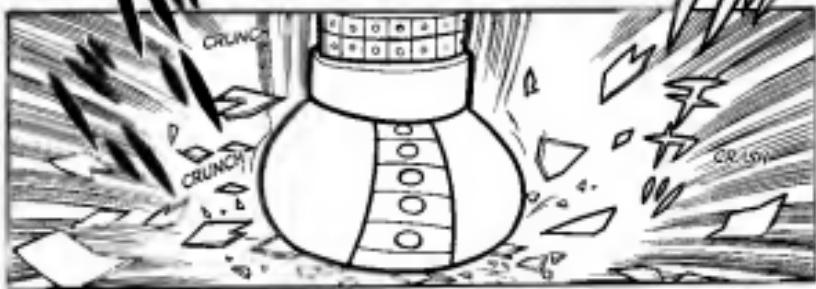
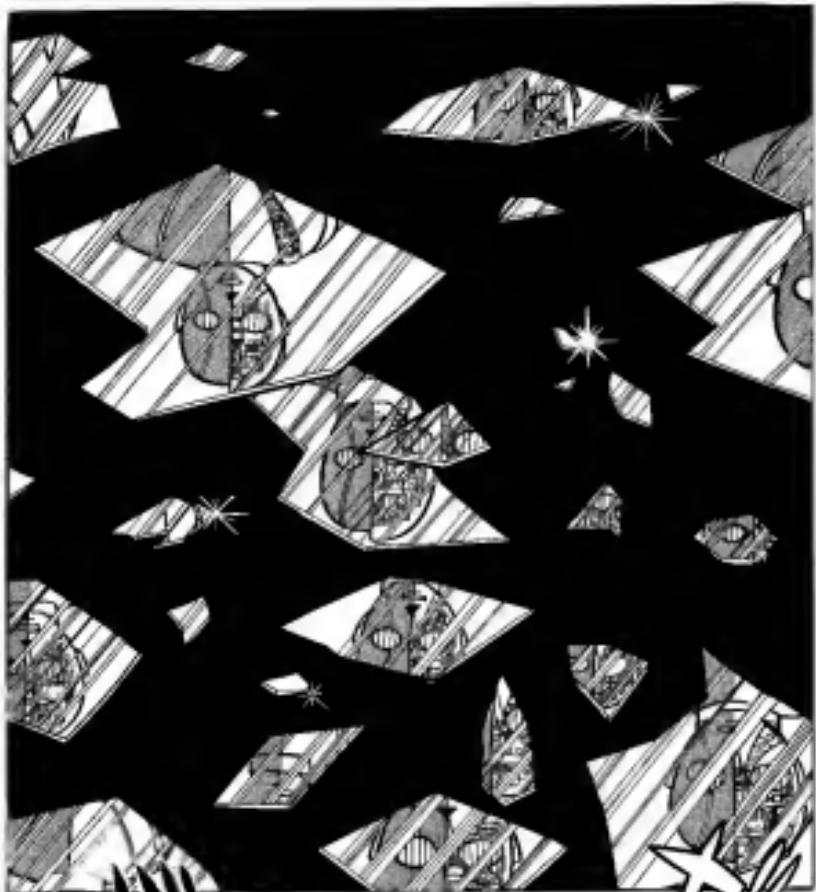
















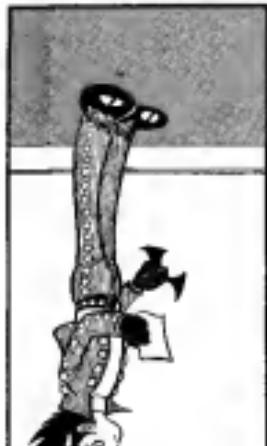






THEN FIND THIS BOY'S SISTER.
WE NEED HER BACK!

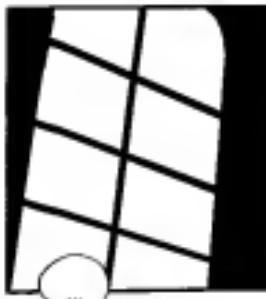










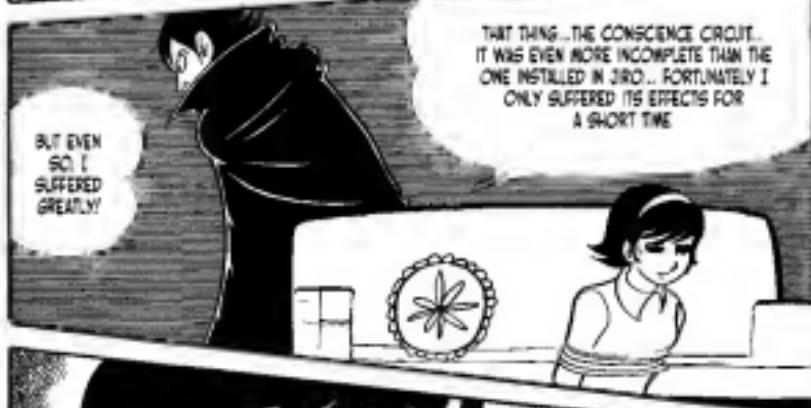












YOU KNOW
THE STORY
OF THE BAT?



IT COULD GO OUT NEITHER IN THE BIRD'S DAY NOR THE BEAST'S NIGHT... IT COULD ONLY GO OUT IN PUBLIC IN THE TWILIGHT!

IT FLUTTERED AROUND BETWEEN BIRD AND BEAST, TRYING TO MAKE PEACE WITH EACH... AS A RESULT, THE PITIFUL CREATURE WAS OSTRACIZED BY BOTH!

LOOK!

AND BEHOLD!

KOMYOU FORESAW MY FATE AND GAVE ME THIS FORM... HE MADE ME LOOK LIKE A BAT!

FLAP

ALSO
KNOWN AS
THE GOLDEN BAT!

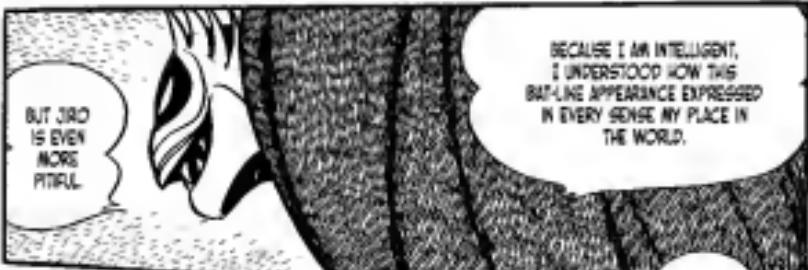
A BAT-
SHAPED
ROBOT!

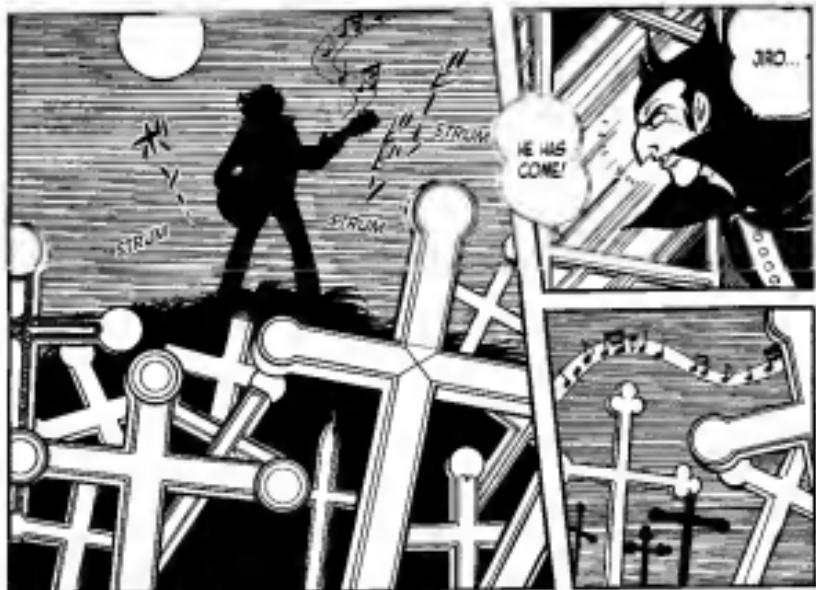
FLAD

LOOK WELL...JUST
AS MY APPEARANCE
SHOWS, I AM COUNT
DRACULAN!

UGH...

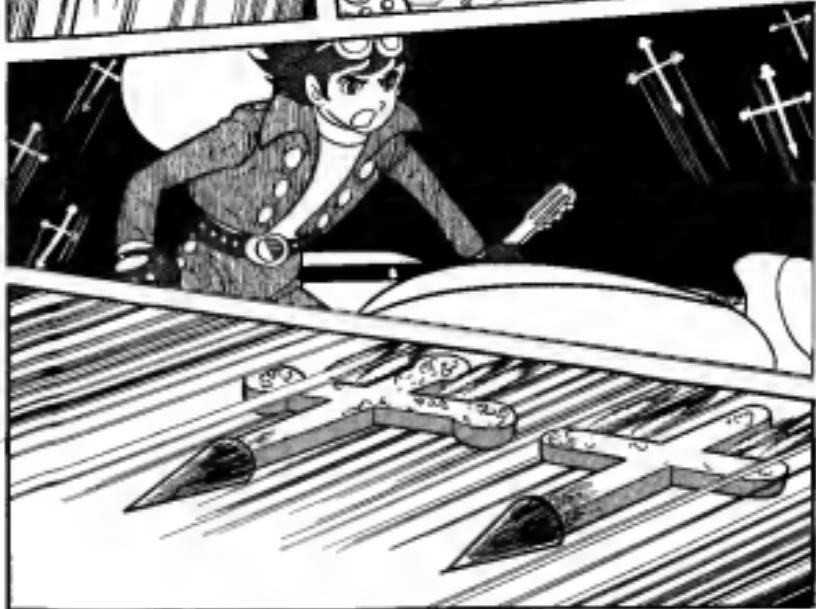
CREATED MERELY FOR
NONNOU'S SCIENTIFIC
CURIOSITY...A MONSTER
BORN FROM A SCIENTIST'S
COLD HEART!!



















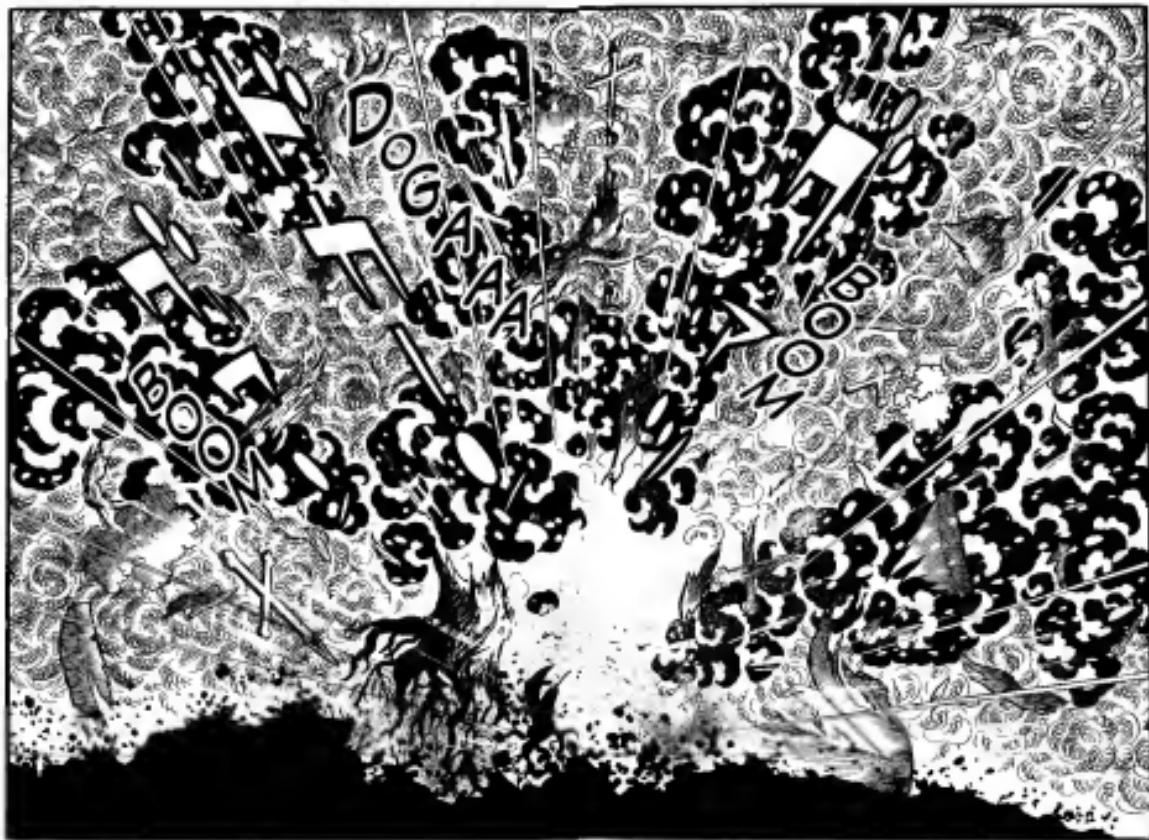
NO!

I CAN'T... I CAN'T DO
IT IN A PLACE YOU CAN
SEE ME... TO BE THAT
UGLY AGAIN... I CAN'T??

A.A...
MITSUO!





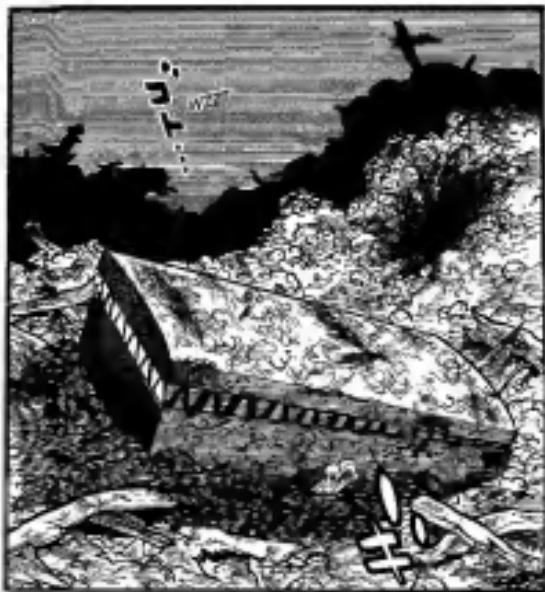


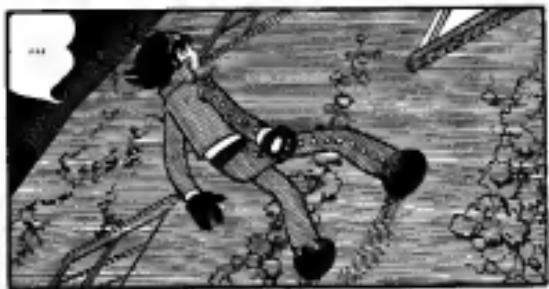






























DRINK ME ALL...
YOU'RE CAUGHT!

































